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Applicant: ALLEN et al.

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PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants request an automatic extension of time for one month through June 15, 2006 for filing a Notice of Appeal responsive to the Advisory Action mailed May 15, 2006. The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge the one month extension of time fee of \$120.00 and any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with the filing of the above-referred Response to Deposit Account No. 09-0465 of International Business Machines Corporation.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment of the above fees to the deposit account No. 09-0465 of International Business Machines Corporation. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

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